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For: REMOTELY CONTROLLED  
MOWING DEVICE

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**EXPLANATION**

Swanson, U.S. Patent No. 5,711,139, describes a self leveling hillside mower with remote control intended for mowing the roadside and designed to operate safely on slopes of up to 30°.  
(Col., lines 41-45.)

Shigemi et al, U.S. Patent No. 5,351,778, describes an unmanned radio controlled lawn mower powered by a gasoline engine. (Abstract.)

Young, U.S. Patent No. 4,964,265, describes a remotely controlled lawn mower propelled by electric motors. (Abstract.)

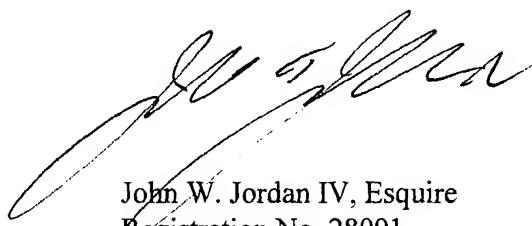
Taube, U.S. Patent No. 4,318,266, describes a remotely controlled lawn mower capable of moving forward and in reverse and providing for remote control of its gasoline engine. (Abstract.)

Keller, U.S. Patent No. 3,800,902, describes methods and apparatus for remotely controlling a lawn mower by radio. (Abstract.)

Geislinger, U.S. Patent No. 3,789,939, describes a lawn mower controlled by information stored on a tape recorder. (Abstract, FIGS. 1-7.)

Burgos, U.S. Patent No. Des. 346,809 illustrates the design of a remote controlled lawn mower and its control. (FIGS. 1-6.)

Respectfully submitted,



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